

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

ROBERTO SEMEIA

Serial No.: To be assigned

Filed: July 25, 2003

For: RETAINER DEVICE FOR FREE LOOSE ENDS OF TIGHTENING OR  
FASTENING STRAPS OR BELTS, OR THE LIKE, PARTICULARLY  
IN ARTICLES FOR WEARING, AND BUOYANCY COMPENSATOR VEST  
HAVING SUCH A DEVICE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

To the Director of Patents and Trademarks

Sir:

Before considering this application, kindly amend the  
application as follows:

Kindly enter and approve the following, which is a clean  
copy of each replacement paragraph, section, and/or claim  
incorporating the respective changes made, previously as well as  
concurrently.

**No new matter has been added by the amendment(s).**